Building a Dental Home Network for Children with Special Health Care Needs: A One-day Conference for Oral, Medical and Allied Health Professionals

Friday, May 3, 2019

Beacon Room • University of Minnesota Recreation and Wellness Center

8:00 Final registration and assembly. Continental breakfast.

8:25 Welcome

Dr. Jeff Karp, Dr. Peter Scal, Dr. Mark DeRuiter

We believe children with special health care needs (SHCN) deserve a dental home where all aspects of their oral health care can be delivered in a comprehensive, continuously accessible, coordinated, culturally competent, interdisciplinary and family-centered way.

Care must be provided under the direction of knowledgeable, experienced dental professionals who are comfortable and competent to address their unique dental treatment needs. These providers must commit to working alongside medical and allied health peers, families, and community advocates.

Our goal is to develop a network of current and future oral health care providers, community innovators, parents, and medical and allied health caregivers who are prepared to work together to build and maintain dental homes for children with special health care needs (SHCN).

8:30 Keynote Address: If Not You, Who?

Dr. Steven Perlman

Analyze the national care and political landscape, focusing on oral health care advances for children with SHCN
Update your role in caring and advocating for children with SHCN
Evaluate programs including Special Olympics Special Smiles

10:00 Refreshment break

10:15 Trifecta: When Dental, Medical and Allied Health Professionals Partner for Change

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Build a greater understanding of dental homes
Assess the benefits of interprofessional care
Frame your own plans for working across care professions, with patient and families, as well as community partners

11:45 Lunch. Please enjoy your complimentary boxed lunch in the meeting room or outdoors

Multipurpose Room 2 • University of Minnesota Recreation and Wellness Center

12:45 Next Generation Scholar Poster Show & Community Resource Exhibits

Discuss dental, medical and allied health student experiences in understanding care for children with SHCN
Determine how non-profit and community organizations—who engage families with children with SHCN—positively impact care
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1:45  Your Field Guide: Launching Your Dental (or Medical) Home  Megan O’Connell, MDSH
- Analyze start up considerations when creating a dental home
- Consider resources available when building your own dental (or medical) home
- Determine essential steps when building a dental (or medical) home for children with SHCN

2:15  My View: 10 Communication Strategies to Engage Parents and Caregivers  Tricia Brisbine, MA
- Craft new strategies to include parents and caregivers in the planning and delivery of oral health care
- Develop new methods for communicating with patients to learn their preferences and health care goals
- Discuss care plans of SHCN children with their families—recognizing financial, transportation, housing and social network limitations

2:30  Parent Panel
- Tricia Brisbine, MA
- Carol Dahlke, MDH
- Senator John A. Hoffman
- Elizabeth Jefferson
- Michelle Olson, DMD

3:30  Adjourn

Meet Our Project Principal Investigators & Conference Hosts

Mark DeRuiter, PhD, CCC-A, CCC-SLP, is a Clinical Professor and the Associate Department Head for Clinical Education Speech, Language & Hearing Services at the University of Arizona. Dr. DeRuiter is certified by the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA) as an audiologist and speech-language pathologist. He is an ASHA Fellow, a 2016-2019 Robert Wood Johnson Clinical Scholars Fellow and immediate Past-President of the Council of Academic Programs in Communication Sciences and Disorders.

Jeff Karp, DMD, MS, is a Clinical Associate Professor and the Program Director for the Pediatric Dentistry Residency Program in the Division of Pediatric Dentistry at the University of Minnesota School of Dentistry. Dr. Karp is a 2016-2019 Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Clinical Scholars Fellow and Chair-Elect of the Section on Oral Health at the American Academy of Pediatrics. Dr. Karp teaches pediatric dental residents and dental students as they provide a dental home for children with SHCNs at the University of Minnesota Pediatric Dental Clinic—made possible by Delta Dental of Minnesota.

Peter Scal, MD, MPH, is an Associate Professor in the Division of Academic General Pediatrics and the Medical Director for St. Joseph’s Home for Children Community Clinic at the University of Minnesota.

Drs. Karp, DeRuiter and Scal lead the Building a Network of Dental Homes for Children with Special Health Care Needs (SHCN) multi-year project funded by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation.
Meet Our Keynote Speaker

Steven P. Perlman, DDS, MScD, is a Clinical Professor of Pediatric Dentistry at Boston University Goldman School of Dental Medicine and an adjunct faculty with both the A.T. Still University of Arizona School of Dentistry & Oral Health and the School of Dental Sciences University of Technology in Jamaica. For the past 35 years, Dr. Perlman has devoted much of his private practice—as well as his teaching—to the treatment of children and adults with physical and intellectual disabilities. In 1993, Dr. Perlman founded Special Olympics Special Smiles, an oral health initiative for the athletes of Special Olympics International. Special Smiles now has over 215 yearly events held in every state in the United States as well as in over 80 countries.

Meet Our Presenters

Tricia Brisbine, MA, is the Family Voices of Minnesota Program Coordinator. Tricia studied psychology at the University of South Dakota and completed graduate work at the University of Kansas. She graduated June 2011 with a Master of Arts degree in Counseling and Psychotherapy from Adler Graduate School. Tricia is passionate about working with parents/caregivers and their children to strengthen attachments and form healthy bonds. She has experience working with families with special circumstances and unique individual needs.

Megan O’Connell, MDSH, completed her Bachelor of Science and her Master of Science in Dental Hygiene at the University of Minnesota - Twin Cities. She provides hygiene care at Molldrem Family Dentistry and currently serves as the Community Health Engagement developer for the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation funded project, Building a Dental Home Network for Children with Special Health Care Needs.

Meet Our Panelists

Carol Dahlke, MDH, completed her Bachelor of Science and Master of Dental Hygiene at the University of Minnesota - Twin Cities. She is the Director of Operations at American Dental Partners and Metro Dentalcare. She currently serves as an Assistant Professor at the University of Minnesota. Over the past 18 years, Carol has served as the Clinical Director for Special Olympics Minnesota, initiating the Special Smiles program for athletes in 2000.

Senator John A. Hoffman serves as the Minority Whip in the Minnesota Senate, representing the 36th state senate district. He completed his undergraduate work at St. Mary's University and is currently the Director of Sales and Marketing for Ally People Solutions, a 50-year-old nonprofit organization focused on providing employment and life skills services to persons with intellectual disabilities and mental health conditions.

Michelle Olson, DDS, completed her Bachelor of Science in Zoology and Chemistry at North Dakota State University and her Doctoral of Dental Surgery at the University of Minnesota. She completed her certificate in Pediatric Dentistry and a fellowship in Leadership and Education through the University of Minnesota. Dr. Olson is a board-certified pediatric dentist and the Clinical Director of Special Smiles for the Special Olympics.
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